MAINE EMS INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 2003 MAINE EMS CONFERENCE ROOM, AUGUSTA

MEETING MINUTES

Present: R. Doughty, P. Knowlton, C. Pillsbury

Staff: D. White, D. Kinney,

Legal Counsel: L. Yustak Smith

1. Call To Order: The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m.

A. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda – Criminal Convictions Matrix (White)

2. Investigations

A. Review for Action – Case # 03-05

The Committee reviewed information regarding case # 03-05.

Motion: That the Licensee is the subject of an Order For Protection From Abuse issued by a Maine Court on December 30, 2002 and in effect until December 28, 2004; that the Committee has reviewed the information obtained regarding the circumstances surrounding the issuance of the aforementioned Order; that the Committee finds insufficient evidence to support a violation of the Maine EMS Rules in this case; and that the case be dismissed (Knowlton; Doughty – motion carries)

3. Applications

- A. Todd Fortier The Committee directed that an Informal Review be scheduled concerning the license application of Todd Fortier.
- **4. Other -** Criminal Convictions Matrix (White)

Staff requested committee guidance in refining the current criminal convictions matrix in order to provide clear guidance to staff concerning the issuance of licenses to persons with a history of criminal convictions and serious or multiple motor vehicle violations. With the implementation of across-the-board criminal background checks beginning in July 2003, staff would like guidelines about which convictions are of concern and require review by the committee vs. those that - because of age or type - do not present a concern in the context of issuing an EMS license.

Discussion ensued with committee members ultimately directing staff to develop guidelines for committee review based upon past and current practice in issuing/non-issuing of licenses in cases of criminal convictions and motor vehicle violations.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be scheduled after the next MEMS Board meeting

5. Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Drexell White, Licensing Agent